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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- EDI Forum - Brussels 10 February
- ECHA seminar on authorisation process - Brussels 10 February
- EMF-ECBC Roundtable on Energy Efficiency - Brussels 26 February
- ETV Workshop - Brussels 28 February
- ecobuild 2016 - London 08-10 March
- SBE16 Conference - Malta 16-18 March
- MEP awards - Brussels 16 March
- Towards Smart CE marking - Brussels 22 March

## TWEET OF THE MONTH



Welcome  
@constructioneu: New at  
#TOP500 #411 on @SustMeme Built  
Environment Top 500, published  
with @NickellInstitute  
<https://t.co/8NoqsALvxm>

— SustMeme Top 500  
(@SustMemeTop500) February 1,  
2016

## PUBLICATION OF THE MONTH



## Save the date: Towards Smart CE Marking

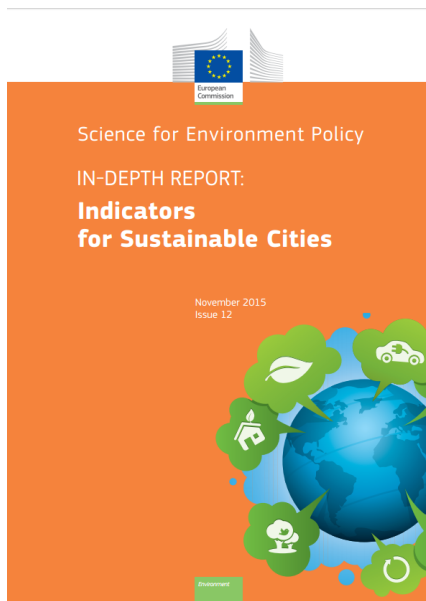
On 22nd March MEP Catherine Stihler will host a debate in the European Parliament to discuss the future of CE Marking for construction products, in particular the challenges of using IT technologies. Agenda and registration for the event will be available in our website soon. [Read more...](#)

## Raw Materials Commitments

The European Innovation Partnership on Raw Materials has launched a Call for Raw Materials Commitments. A Commitment is an undertaking by the partners jointly committing to cooperate and take actions that will contribute to achieving the EIP's objectives in the different action areas. The deadline for submitting your proposals is set for the 1st of March 2016. [Read more...](#)

## European Decontamination Institute Forum 2016

EDI organises next 10 February their forum on decontamination of waste. The meeting is organised by the industry to work together on the future of the activity. Any professional related with decontamination of hazardous waste activity is welcome to participate. The



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Forum will have two debate sessions, with recognized panelists from the industry, as well as time to do networking with the participants. [Read more...](#)

## New materials and technologies for energy efficiency solutions for buildings

On 15th September, the European Commission adopted a Communication entitled '[Towards an Integrated Strategic Energy Technology \(SET\) Plan: accelerating the European Energy System Transformation](#)'. This plan includes ten actions that will help achieve the research and innovation objectives of the Energy Union. The European Commission is now looking for input from stakeholders to define targets and priorities in each of the action areas, as well as on implementation plans. [Read more...](#)

## New H2020 Buildings as Material Banks project

We were recently made aware of a new €10M Horizon 2020 project entitled "Buildings as Material Banks: Integrating Materials Passports with Reversible Building Design to Optimise Circular Industrial Value Chains". It will look into construction and demolition waste prevention and at reducing of raw material consumption. It is managed by the Brussels regional environmental agency (IBGE). An industrial board will soon be established with the inclusion of "strategic partners". Please note that a launch event will take place on 3rd May at the IBGE Brussels offices. [Read more...](#)

## ECOSO published their first national reports

The European Construction Sector Observatory is a 3 year (2015-2017) action under COSME. It aims to inform European policymakers and stakeholders on the market conditions and policy developments in the construction sector in the 28 EU countries, through regular analysis and comparative assessments. This year they have started the publication of Country fact sheets, for the moment Italy and UK are available but other Member States will follow. [Read more...](#)

## Fitness checks on construction

Following the 2015 Better Regulation Guidelines EC consultants collecting information for the Fitness Checks studies - a new type of EU evaluation - welcomed the inputs received from the construction products industry. In fact they consider the coverage of our business as very high compared to others. They are now analysing the data and they will soon publish the initial results. This survey will also be used for the study on the economic impacts of the Construction Product Regulation (CPR).

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